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Reasons: 1.4 (b) and (d)

- 11. (C) The Ambassador delivered all points in reftel on June 18 to Foreign Minister Fernando Araujo. The Ambassador told Araujo that the violent June 9 march--and the GOB's reaction -- showed the need for the international community to remind the GOB of its international obligations. The Ambassador said countries making up Bolivia's Group of Friends could play an important role in this regard, and urged Araujo to reach out to his Bolivian counterpart.
- (C) Araujo said he had spent June 17 with Bolivian FM David Choquehuanca in Lima. He said he understood our rights under international law, and would raise the issue with Choquehuanca. Araujo added that he would likely consult with the Argentines and Brazilians prior to approaching Bolivia, and promised to keep us informed of his conversations with his Bolivian counterpart. STANFORD